

BAKER PETROLITE - RAYNE BLEND PLANT
RAYNE, LOUISIANA

Baker Petrolite - Rayne Blend Plant, based in Rayne, Louisiana, produces and distributes crude oil production chemicals to the Gulf Coast area. In its 15 years of operations, the plant has not had a reportable release or emergency, owing to its strong commitment to the American Chemistry Council's Responsible Care® program. Besides preventing chemical releases, the ISO 14001-certified plant also tackled other environmental issues such as VOC emissions and solid and hazardous waste.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

The Rayne Blend Plant has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance by successfully minimizing the risk of hazardous materials exposure to the community and initiating a recycling program. Since 1998, the company has:

- **Reduced the vulnerability and potential for chemical releases** by installing an emergency response system to guard the chemical storage area and by enhancing communication with local authorities and residential and industrial neighbors.
- **Reduced solid waste** by expanding recycling collection to include paper, cardboard, magazines, aluminum cans, crude oil, and freon.

Future Commitments

The Rayne Blend Plant will expand on its past accomplishments and tackle new challenges. By 2003, the company will:

- **Further reduce solid waste** by 15% through enhancing commitment to its recycling program.
- **Reduce hazardous waste** by 15% through enhancing commitment to reducing, reusing, and recycling of chemicals and solvents.
- **Reduce VOC emissions** by nearly 1 ton per year by installing scrubbers for two solvent-based blending vessels.
- **Prevent reportable accidental releases on-site** through continual employee training, self-inspection and audits, and implementation of safety suggestions for improvement.

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:	Chemical Manufacturing
Business:	Manufactures oilfield production chemicals
Facility Employees:	Fewer than 50
Accomplishments:	Reduced vulnerability and potential for release Reduced solid waste
2003 Commitments:	Reduce solid waste Reduce hazardous waste Reduce VOC emissions Reduce on-site chemical releases
Address:	135 Industrial Drive Rayne, LA 70578

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Rayne Blend Plant maintains regular contact with the community through its responsible care activities. The facility also uses open houses and personal communication with local businesses.